

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE TARIFF APPLICATION OF UNITED       )  
STATES TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, INC.,    ) CASE NO. 10396  
TO PROVIDE OPERATOR SERVICES         )

O R D E R

On August 25, 1988, United States Transmission Systems, Inc. ("USTS") filed a tariff with the Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the provision of operator services in Kentucky. The tariff was proposed to be effective on October 1, 1988.

By letter of September 16, 1988, the Commission requested certain clarifying information concerning the proposed operator services. USTS' response, filed September 29, 1988, indicates that the proposed operator services would include third-party billing to telephone company credit cards, including Local Exchange Company ("LEC") issued calling cards, and to bank credit cards.

After reviewing the proposed tariff and USTS' September 29, 1988 response, the Commission finds that additional investigation will be necessary which cannot be thoroughly accomplished prior to the proposed effective date. Specifically, the Commission is concerned about proper validation of third-party billings to LEC-issued calling cards and protection from fraudulent third-party billings.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Original Sheet No. 23.1 of USTS' Ky. Tariff PSC No. 1 be and hereby is suspended on and after October 1, 1988, for a period not to exceed 5 months, so that the Commission might have adequate time to thoroughly investigate all issues therein.

2. All previous correspondence and responses thereto are hereby made a part of the record in this case.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 30th day of September, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
For the Commission

ATTEST:

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Executive Director